



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: R.A. Edmark et al. Attorney Docket No.: 14372A
Application No.: 10/002,103 Group Art Unit: 1771
Filed: November 14, 2001 Examiner: J.L. Befumo
Title: CELLULOSIC PRODUCT HAVING HIGH COMPRESSION RECOVERY

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

A. Amendment Transmittal

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- X 1. No additional claim fee is required, as shown below.
 2. The claim fee has been calculated as shown below.

COMPUTATION OF FEE FOR CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid For		Present Extra		Rate		Additional Fee
Total Claims	37	-	37	=	0	x	18	=	0
Independent Claims	5	-	5	=	0	x	84	=	0
TOTAL									\$0

B. Additional Fee Charges or Credit for Overpayment

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.18 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any

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overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 03-1740. This authorization also hereby includes a request for any extensions of time of the appropriate length required upon the filing of any reply during the entire prosecution of this application. A copy of this document is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

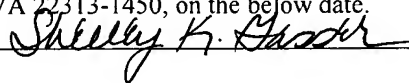
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REMARKS

In response to the Office Action Summary mailed July 2, 2003 (Paper No. 8), applicants elect the invention of Group III, Claims 13-35, for immediate examination. Claims 1-12 are withdrawn from the Examiner's consideration.

Regarding the requirement for election of species, applicants elect (1) airlaid products, and (2) thermoplastic fibers as bonding agent. Applicants believe that Claims 13-16, 21-23, and 29-35 read on the elected invention.

Respectfully submitted,

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